

A BACHELOR TAX.

In Argentine Republic...Queer Laws and Customs.

In the Argentine Republic they have solved to their own satisfaction the "bachelor problem" by the simple method of making it cost an unmarried man as much money to live in unmarried bliss as it would cost him to marry.

A man is marriageable in Argentina when he is 20. If from that date and until he passes his thirty eighth birthday he wishes to remain single, he must pay five dollars a month to the State. For the next five years the tax increases 100 per cent.

Between 43 and 50 bachelors are included in the sum of \$20 per month. From his 50th year to 75 \$30 a month is the tax, but having reached the 75th year, the tax is reduced to \$10 a year. After 80 a man can remain single without paying anything.

There is a paragraph relating to widowers, who are given three years in which to mourn and pick a successor.

A man who can prove that he has proposed and been refused three times in one year is also considered to have earned immunity from taxation.

It is said that the law works like a charm.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and energizer for weak run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by H. K. Woods & Co.

CAUSES FOR DIVORCE.

Most divorces are granted after marriage of short duration, one-half within six years. During twenty years two-thirds of the divorces granted were given to women, and the most frequent cause was desertion. Sex morality seems at as high a plane in the United States as in most other countries where divorces are less common. Temper, rather than unlawful passion, is perhaps the most serious enemy of the home.

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"I have been broken down in health and strength, nervous system shattered, kidneys out of order, had nervous and trembling spells on and on for the last ten years. I have taken three bottles of your Paine's Celery Compound and all of the above-mentioned troubles have left me, and I can now do a good day's work. I don't worry me, and I now feel better than I have in ten years. I have a good appetite, and can eat and get around on foot as active as when I was a boy. My age is 65 years."

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SLAVE PENSIONS.

Suggestions of Senator Hanna Endorsed in the South.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 6.—The Atlanta Journal, in a double column leader, unequivocally endorses Hanna's bill to pension ex-slaves. It says in part:

"Let the Republicans quit blinding and get down to business. The South is ready for their slave pensioning scheme whenever they are. Quit playing politics with the negroes; give them a pension sure enough. No forty acres and a mule this time. After all there is something in the theory that the ex-slave is entitled to a 'fittle' extra consideration from the government. By the government's act he was turned loose on the world without a penny and without a home, except that which his old master gave him. He had citizenship and responsibilities thrust upon him, when he was wholly unfitted therefor. No Southern white man will begrudge one of them any bounty that the government cares at this late day to offer them. We know of few ex-slaves who are not worthy of it. God never made whiter hearts or blacker skins than some of the old darkeys wear."

"The government has squandered millions on people less deserving, and let it, if it wants to at this late day, atone for the injustice that it did the negro and the South at the same time when it made him a citizen, cast upon him all the responsibilities that attach to people of more intelligence and experience in the work of self-support, and thereby left him handicapped for life. We say it seriously, braving whatever criticism the short-sighted may direct against us, if the government has millions to give away by all means scatter it among the old time darkeys, the faithful ex-slaves of the South. God bless 'em and preserve 'em for years to come."

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises, skin eruptions and piles. Price 25c at Woods & Co., drug store.

TRUE TO HER HUSBAND.

Henderson, Ky.—A. J. Crawford, aged 33 years, obtained marriage license for his fourth marriage this morning. It is his third marriage to the same woman, her maiden name being Miss Alice Long. He was sent to the penitentiary for three years in 1892, for horse stealing, and after his time expired he went to Missouri and married a woman there. Afterwards he returned to this county and married his first wife. The Missouri wife heard of it and prosecuted Crawford, and he was sent to the penitentiary from this county for bigamy for a term of six years. He has just returned, and secured the license as above stated.

STENOGRAPHERS.

Reports come to us that there is an unusual demand just at this time for young men stenographers in the departments of the government service. Lockyear's Business College of Evansville, one of the largest and most reliable institutions of its kind in this part of the country, informs us that the demand for intelligent young men stenographers in every line of business is much greater than the supply.

Those who become expert and can pass the civil service examination, find ready employment by the government at salaries ranging from \$900 to \$1200 per annum. Before undertaking the study of this important art, it is best that the learner have a good English education. There is no kind of employment that offers any greater inducements to young men at this time than shorthand. 34-3t

PREFERRED TO HIKE.

A former Kansas man, writing to his home paper, tells the following story:

"Once while traveling in the Ozark mountains in Arkansas I came upon what looked to be an old well on the top of a low but thickly wooded hill. Not having watered my horse for half a day I dismounted, tied him to a tree and lowered the bucket into the well; but to my surprise, when the bucket came up again it contained a piece of plain board which read: 'Hike or die.' I can say that I gladly did the former. I knew at once that I had intruded upon an old moonshine whiskey distillery so numerous in that section of the country. They had placed a well curb over the entrance for a blind."

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Higgins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by Woods & Co., druggists. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottles.

BASEBALL IN THE BIBLE.

A North Missouri editor, who first studied baseball rules in Sunday school when a boy enters into the following antiquities of the national game:

"The devil was the first coacher. Eve stole first. Adam stole second. When Isaac met Rebecca at the well she was walking with a pitcher. Samson struck out a good many when he beat the Philistines. Moses made his first run when he slew the Egyptians. Cain made a base hit when he slew Abel. Abraham made a sacrifice. The prodigal son made a home run. David was a long distance thrower, and Moses shut out the Egyptians at the Red Sea."—Washington Times.

Cured Consumption.

Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months; the doctors stated that he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup and it cured him. That was six years ago, and since then we always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds, it has no equal." 25c, 50c and \$1 bottle at H. K. Woods & Co.

FARMING IN THE SOUTH.

The Passenger Department of the Illinois Central Railroad Company is issuing monthly circulars concerning fruit growing, vegetable gardening, stock raising, dairying, etc., in the States of Kentucky, West Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. Every farmer or homemaker, who will forward his name and address to the undersigned will be mailed free, Circulars Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and others as they are published from month to month.

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A FEW FACTS.

About the World's Fair at St. Louis in 1904.

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition (the World's Fair) will commemorate the centennial of the purchase of the great Louisiana Territory by the United States from France, and will be by far the greatest international event of this character within the world's history. It will cover 1,200 acres of land, have 300 acres of exhibit space, and will cost, approximately, \$40,000,000.

All Nations, States, Territories, Provinces and Colonies will participate and present in highly-classified arrangement the achievements of modern civilization in the arts, sciences and industries.

Dedication of the grounds and buildings will held with fitting ceremony, April 30, 1903, the centennial anniversary of the purchase. Exposition will open one year later.

The price paid for the Louisiana Territory was \$15,000,000, and the land acquired was about one million square miles, more than doubling the area of the United States at that time.

Total funds for the World's Fair to date, including the State and Government appropriations, \$20,000,000.

United States Government's appropriations: \$3,000,000 for general fund; \$450,000 for building; \$800,000 for exhibits; \$40,000 for Indian exhibit; \$8,000 for life-saving station; \$250,000 for Philippine exhibit.

City of St. Louis appropriated \$6,000,000 and citizens of St. Louis subscribed \$5,000,000; State of Missouri appropriated \$1,000,000.

Balance of money appropriated by other various States and Territories.

Main group of World's Fair Buildings arranged in the form of a fan, the art palaces forming the apex at the southwest; large exhibit buildings will be fifteen in number, main entrance to be upon the Grand Avenue at the northeast corner of the grounds.

The administration of the affairs of the exposition is in the hands of ninety-three directors.

Important features will be: The airship tournament, in which prizes to the amount of \$150,000 will be awarded; the series of international congresses, in which distinguished savants from all parts of the world will participate; the great horse show upon fashionable lines; the dairy test; the athletic events, etc.

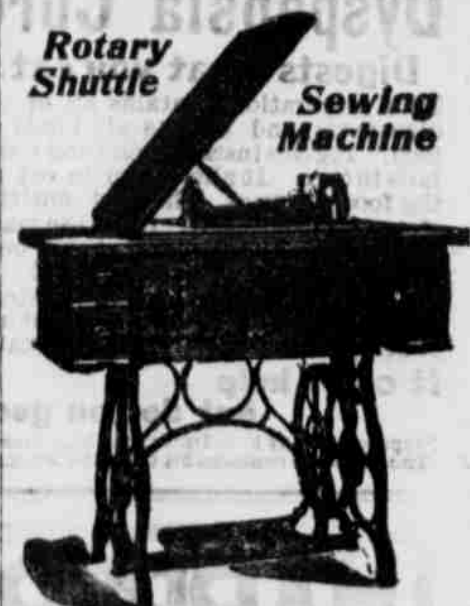
The Louisiana Purchase Exposition will be nearly twice as large as any former exposition, and will show the life and activity of the nations of the world.

St. Louis, city of exposition, fourth city in population in the United States, was unanimously chosen as the place for holding the World's Fair by convention of delegates appointed by the Governors of States and Territories within the original purchase.

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